

Using LEED-NC® in Colorado: Tips, Resources and Examples

The Colorado Governor's Office of Energy Management and Conservation (OEMC) announces the release of a new guide to help building owners and design teams build better buildings in Colorado. The Guide was developed in collaboration with the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC), Colorado Chapter. *Using LEED-NC in Colorado: Tips, Resources & Examples* is a comprehensive guide to using the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design green building rating system for new construction and major renovations, LEED-NC version 2.1.

The Guide offers resources to help you build better buildings with LEED, with over 100 pages of practical and detailed information, including:

- credit-by-credit guidance,
- examples of individual credits achieved for Colorado projects,
- dozens of photos of Colorado projects,
- quick look at what's new in version 2.2,
- links to research on the cost and benefits of green building
- where to find local green building and high performance design associations, and
- funding sources for green building

Free Online Resource

The guide will be offered as a free download in July 2006 at www.colorado.gov/rebuildco.

Colorado-Specific Tips

"This Guide provides a bridge between the reference material in the official rating systems and the on-the-ground experiences of Colorado building owners, architects, contractors and LEED consultants," said Amy Jiron, Executive Director of the U.S. Green Building Council, Colorado Chapter. "The photos and examples from these projects illustrate what really works in Colorado, and the proven benefits of green building for state and local governments, schools, and private building owners."

Future Versions

As more projects use the new version of the LEED-NC rating system, demand is growing for an update of this document for LEED-NC version 2.2. A future update of this document is planned.

About LEED

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Helpful information for using the
LEED-NC® version 2.1 rating system
to build better buildings in Colorado



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